JOHN SONDLES.

[To accompany Bill H. R. No. 312.]

MARCH 9, 1860.

Mr. C. D. Martin, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the memorial of John Sondles, report:

That upon an examination of the same they find that the memorialist enlisted, on or about the 6th day of May, A. D. 1847, as a private soldier in company G, commanded at first by Captain T. L. Hart, and after his death by Captain James Irvine, in the fourth regiment of Ohio volunteers, commanded by Colonel Charles Brough, to serve during the war; that he was mustered into the service on the 18th of June, 1847; that at the time of his enlistment and mustering into the service he was a sound hearty young man, only about twenty-one years of age. In July, 1847, he was ordered to Metamoras in Mexico, remained there until September, 1847; was then sent to Vera Cruz, where he remained until the war was over. It further appears that in the month of July or August, 1847, whilst at Metamoras, and in the line of his duty as a soldier, he received a sun stroke; that for for a while he was rendered incapable of performing any military duty. From the effects of said coup de soleil he has never recovered. He was also attacked with the disease called Mexican diarrhæ, with which he is still afflicted. He is very poor, and from the effects of the disease aforesaid he is wholly unable to support himself by labor.

The foregoing facts are fully sustained by the sworn testimony of James Irvine, who was lieutenant and afterwards the captain of the company in which Sondles served. Josiah Given, a fellow soldier, swears to the facts; James B. Wood, a respectable man and a respectable physician, swears to the condition of Sondles both before and after he entered the service; he swears he was a sound healthy young man when he went in, and was a broken down and physically a ruined

man when he returned from, the service.

The case is abundantly sustained by other evidence. The committee report a bill.

Little Co. Harris